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NAVAL STATION BREMERTON INSTRUCTION 1700.1

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Station Bremerton

Subj: SAFE RIDE HOME PROGRAM

Ref: (a) CINCPACFLTINST 5355.1

Encl: (1) [Safe Ride Home Duty Driver Responsibilities](#)

1. Purpose. To publish procedural guidance for the implementation of the Safe Ride Home Program. This program is designed to encourage drivers, who have had too much alcohol to drink, to choose a safe, alternative to driving drunk.

2. Background. Motor vehicle accidents continue to be the number one cause of injury and death among Sailors 18-25 years old. Serious physical injury and loss of productivity are unacceptable from a command perspective. A review of accident and injury reports indicate that alcohol overindulgence is a significant factor in serious automobile accidents.

3. Objective. The goal of this program is to eliminate active duty DUIs.

4. Policy. Naval Station Bremerton policy on alcohol abuse and DUIs follows:

a. Zero tolerance of alcohol abuse by all personnel regardless of rank.

b. Alcohol use must be responsible. All personnel should carefully plan their activities regarding the use of alcohol. Designated drivers, drinking in an area where a room has been rented for the night, or taxi fare reserved, shall be considered safe alternatives to driving drunk. The Safe Ride Home Program should not be a part of a personal alcohol abuse plan. This program must be used only as a "safety net" when unexpected, and potentially serious, situations occur.

c. A Safe Ride Home Program's required by reference (a) and will be provided by the command.

d. Encourage personnel to use the Safe Ride Home Program, a confidential, non-attributional program.

5. Requirements.

a. A Safe Ride Home may be requested by calling (360) 476-0126 from any establishment within Kitsap County if the service member has been drinking and desires to make the responsible choice to not drive drunk.

b. An active duty member will initiate all requests for transportation with the Safe Ride Home Program when the planned method of transportation home has failed. The member's current duty station will be identified at the time of the request for transportation.

c. Family members of active duty may use the Safe Ride Home Program when accompanied by their sponsor provided they are transported to the same location.

d. All personnel using the Safe Ride Home Program must have a current DOD Identification Card in their possession.

6. Action.

a. The Safe Ride Home driver will be provided by one of the two personnel standing watch on the quarterdeck providing a timely response to ride requests. The nature of this duty is to assist personnel who may be under different levels of inebriation due to the use of alcohol.

b. Designated Safe Ride Home driver shall:

(1) Report to the Naval Station Bremerton Quarterdeck in Uniform of the Day at the assigned time. Duties are assigned from 1600-0700, Monday through Friday, and 0700-0700, Saturday, Sunday, and holidays.

(2) The CDO will ensure the designated driver is in compliance with enclosure (1).

(3) The designated driver will provide the quarterdeck watch with an accurate and reliable recall number.

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1. Possess valid driver's license.
2. Report to the Naval Station Bremerton, 1600, Monday through Friday or 0700, Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, and provide a valid recall telephone number.
3. Maintain gas tank at least a 1/2 full and ensure vehicle is clean and free of trash.
4. When called to respond to a request, provide Safe Ride Home transportation:
 - a. Take assigned duty vehicle and proceed directly to the address provided by the CDO and pick up the passenger(s).
 - b. Ensure all passengers have a current DOD Identification Card as active duty of family member. Each family member must be escorted by their active duty sponsor.
 - c. Deliver the passenger(s) to their residence in Kitsap County.
 - d. If no residence is provided or the passenger is difficult to handle, deliver the passenger to the Naval Station Bremerton Command Duty Officer.

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